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Hello:

As we prepare for the congressional update on Friday, I thought it would be beneficial to know the recent questions I have received from congressional staff re: West Lake Landfill

These questions have come within the last week:

Sen. McCaskill, Pat Bond – Requesting clarification of the final remedy timeline. We originally stated that we are looking at a 2016 timeframe, but information Pat is hearing is that the EPA is trying to get the final ROD done by the end of FY14.

Sen. Christopher Bond, Kerry DeGregorio – “What would happen if the subsurface smoldering event in the Bridgeton Landfill were to come in contact with the radiological impacted material at the Westlake site?” During the EPA briefing with Sen. Blunt I understood Mark Hague to say that EPA had requested a study be done by Republic and EMSI and are now getting a second opinion. Is there a completed study or is this the original request? If completed is the data available? If this is a second opinion is this being done by EMSI also?

Rep. William Lacy Clay, Lou Aboussie – Can you tell me if these facts are true about West Lake? The residents near the Westlake nuclear Landfill and fires are scared. The air is toxic. The fires are getting closer to the nuclear waste which is already leaking into the drinking water for Missourians north of HWY 70 and into the St. Louis city drinking water which supplies the Coca Cola bottling company and Anheuser Bush. Cancers, birth defects and increased immunity disorders are increasingly popping up. Kay Drey, a nuclear waste expert believes we may be close to an Explosion and "Times Beach re-enactment" which will endanger our whole area.. This may come about sooner then we can imagine. We are all in danger. (taken from a news update from <http://groups.google.com/group/MOPAG/topics>)

Need talking points from the EPA about the site to help when talking with constituents.

Rep. William Lacy Clay, Steve Englehardt – editorial in the Post-Dispatch today incorrectly states that Westlake Landfill lies entirely in Mr. Clay's district.

http://www.stltoday.com/news/opinion/editorial-let-the-cleanup-begin/article_ddeed9b3-de71-5713-96fa-8acbb411b148.html

Also, fyi...attached is the response sent to Sen. Blunt as a follow-up from the tour on 1/23.

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